

W. SEYLER ACQUITTED

Of Charge of Murdering Jar's Adams on Atlantic City Million Dollar Pier

JURY OUT LITTLE OVER FIVE HOURS

Only Two Verdicts Considered, First Degree Murder and Acquittal—Cheers in Courtroom when Verdict was Announced—Orvis Seyler, Held as a Witness, was Formally Discharged—The Closing Arguments.

May Landing, N. J., May 25.—William Seyler, charged with the murder of Jar's Adams on the million-dollar pier at Atlantic City last February, was tonight acquitted. The jury was out a little more than five hours.

Closing Arguments.
The afternoon session of the court was taken up with the arguments of counsel and Judge Trenchard's charge. Edmund C. Gaskill, Seyler's counsel, closed his argument with a arraignment of "third degree" methods of the police and a plea for the acquittal of his client. The ground was that no murder had been proved, and if murder was done, no evidence had been adduced to connect Seyler with the crime.

As he was closing his argument, the defendant's twenty-year-old daughter, Jessie, ran to her father, crying: "I want to be with papa." Prosecutor Gaskill was on his feet in an instant objecting to what he said was an attempt to influence the jury improperly.

Mr. Goldenberg urged a finding of guilty of murder in the first degree, asserting vehemently that the state had proved its case.

How the Verdict was Received.
The courtroom was crowded when

the jury returned at ten o'clock and rendered its verdict, hundreds of people from Atlantic City and other parts of the state were present, waiting for news from the jury room.

When the verdict was announced, there was a cheer from a portion of the crowd which was quickly silenced by Judge Trenchard. Seyler fairly leaped at his counsel when he realized that he was again a free man. After greeting his counsel he walked over to the juryman and shook hands with each of them at the same time warmly expressing his thanks. The crowd in the courtroom pressed forward and the defendant held an impromptu reception.

Orvis Seyler Formally Discharged.
After the stir was over, Orvis Seyler, William's brother, who had been charged and the two brothers immediately left the courthouse and took a train for Atlantic City.

William Seyler's wife returned to Atlantic City before the jury came in. She was formally discharged, but the jury would free him.

It was reported about the courthouse that the jury considered only two verdicts, first degree murder and acquittal.

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FLAG DAY PROCLAMATION
BY GOV. FRANK B. WEEKS
Tuesday, June 14, Set as the Day of Observance.

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Cabled Paragraphs

Paris, May 25.—The court today rejected the application of the Duke de Talleyrand, formerly known as Prince Helie de Sagan, for nullification of the judgment whereby Count Hatfield was made trustee of his Sicilian estates.

Kiel, May 25.—The German navy's newest 19,000-ton cruiser Von der Tann developed a speed of twenty-eight knots in a four hour trial run on the mouth of the Elbe yesterday. The cruiser was launched at Hamburg on March 19, 1909.

Rome, May 25.—The Most Rev. Louis Philippi, Cardinal Archbishop of Bologna, was received in private audience by the pope today. The archbishop presented to the pope a small group of American pilgrims who are returning from the Holy Land.

Moscow, May 25.—Official publication was made today of a list of 131 Jewish merchants of the first guild, who were expelled from Russia in 1905.

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Drydock Dewey Sinks at Manila With Bank Money

BUT EXPERTS SAY THAT THE BIG HULK MAY BE SAVED.

CARELESS JAPANESE EMPLOYEES COLEMAN LEAVES PRISON PEN

Believed to Be Responsible—It Was at First Thought to Be a Deliberate Attempt at Destruction.

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Condensed Telegrams

The Hankow-Sze-Chuen Railway loan agreement was signed in Paris.

George M. Roberts of Wellsboro, O., claims to be sole heir to George Washington.

The President received the newly appointed Spanish minister, Don Juan Riano y Gayangos.

The Centenary of the Founding of the Order of Initiation is to be celebrated at all the convocations.

Commander Peary received the honorary degree of doctor of laws from the University of Edinburgh.

Minister to Liberia Lyon Reports that the chiefs of the turbulent tribes are taking the oath of allegiance.

The Pennsylvania Railroad has increased its holdings in the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad to \$5,000,000.

The General Education Board has appropriated \$700,000 to colleges and universities and \$112,000 to agriculture in the south.

The Peruvian Government has formally accepted the mediation of the American Sugar Refining company, which is mediating in the boundary dispute with Ecuador.

At a Meeting of the Peace Society in London, a proposal was made to start a world-wide peace movement.

The Late John A. Kasson, by his will, has bequeathed a large sum of money to the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral foundation of the District of Columbia residuary legate of his estate.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in California, asking Governor Gillette of California to prevent the Johnson-Jeffries prizefight.

A Hearing Before the Senate committee on a proposed federal official in Alaska developed a bitter faction fight.

The Bomb Explosion in Madrid on Monday night, it is believed, was intended for King Alfonso, the anarchist having plotted to strike him down near the railway station.

By a Strict Party Vote the Twain amendment to the sundry bill was adopted in the house.

Sister Candide, under arrest in Paris on the charge of swindling, refused to answer the police questions in the headquarters of the charity institutions of which she was the head.

ASTONISHING STATEMENT AT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.
Workers from All Parts of the Earth Were Present.

Washington, May 25.—Seventy-five people, representing 125 years in the United States are lost to the cause of the world's peace.

Such a statement, spoken by Eugene C. Foster of Detroit in one of the workers' conferences today, who was speaking at the Sunday school convention, astonished Sunday school workers from all parts of the earth.

"This is the first time," he declared, "I have heard in this country," he declared, "that a man, who was formerly employed as a pantryman at the same hotel, were found in the police records in the past two years, and who is said to have wealthy relatives in Washington."

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CROSS-EXAMINATION OF SPITZER

By the Defense at the Trial of Heike, Charged with Underweighing Sugar.

HENRY O. HAVEMEYER IS NAMED

Spitzer, Now Fardoned, Says that He Did Not Confess

During his Trial Last February Because Confession would "Have Carried Him to a Cemetery," Meaning that He would have Implicated a Dead Man.

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